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By now you have been flooded with the standard COVID-19 updates telling you how each and every one of the dozens of businesses you have contact with will assist in your staying healthy. With that in mind, we will keep our response short and to the point. First and foremost for our readers, The Wanderer is available online. Many of our readers already know this as we have almost twice as many people who download each week's edition as we print copies; for this, we thank you and the trees thank you! If you haven't already checked out the online edition, you can see them at www.wanderer.com – just click on "read the full edition." On our website, there is a Portable Document Format (PDF) version of our paper as well as a Page Flip version, should you really enjoy flipping virtual pages, which is really cool. We also offer a mobile edition through *The Wanderer* app, which allows you to read each week's edition on your iPad or iPhone. To find this visit the Apple App Store and search for 'Wanderer' or click on the link on our web page.

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# **DECA gets ORR Students Down to Business** By Mick Colageo

While bearing down and creating responses to the hypothetical challenges thrown their way by judges in a statewide business contest, Old Rochester Regional High School students Ryu Huynh-Aoyama and Eddie Gonet felt no pressure.

They were in Boston with 19 other ORR students to compete, but that was a fact to celebrate because creating the Tri-Town high school's DECA program was the real test that they had already passed to make the appearance in Boston possible.

"It was an excellent experience; it felt so great to be there," said Gonet. "I wasn't too stressed out about it. I didn't expect much because it was (the first year for ORR)."

Gonet, a 15-year-old sophomore, took second place in his individual category at the state competition held among 500 students on February 27-29 at the Prudential Center. Huynh-Aoyama had a better score in district competition in Hyannis than he had in Boston, but the opportunity to take this test was gravy.

"In the end, I was more proud of our chapter as a whole... it was our maiden voyage, the first year. We did well despite not having the proper (background). That was something I was really proud to see in my chapter," said Huynh-Aoyama. "To go to states you must be in the



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top seven in your category. Internationals it's top five. Logistically, a lot of (competitors) get cut off that way. In all honestly, I don't have any regrets."

The greater challenge for this partnership was in getting ORR's DECA chapter off the ground.

Originally known as the Distributive Education Clubs of America, the international organization DECA is now a major extracurricular at ORR with 50 strong filling advisor Alyssa Whitney's homeroom on Fridays after school.

"For me what's really cool is I teach chemistry so I see them in all of my classes, I always see them in that sort of setting and situations so it's been really cool to see that same set of kids... moving into something completely different," said Whitney. "The cool thing about DECA is they have categories they can pick... real interests. entrepreneurship, social media marketing, fashion. It lets me know my students a little bit better."

Behind the football team, marching band and drama club, Whitney estimates that the crowd packing her homeroom for DECA meetings ranks "like a close

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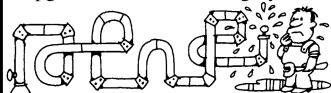


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number four. It's a good thing that I have a giant classroom," she said.

Coming to Old Rochester after a year teaching in East Boston, Whitney had familiarity with DECA via her boyfriend, ORR graduate Casey McKenzie, who had participated in DECA while attending UMass Dartmouth.

There were students that Gonet and Huynh-Aoyama had gotten interested in the club that were in Whitney's homeroom.

"Even though we don't have business classes, ORR has other classes that helped prepare them as well," said Whitney. "Even though they didn't take finance or marketing, they were able to do so well at the other skills that they have."

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Before coronavirus precautions led to the cancellation of extracurricular activities and ultimately school altogether, Whitney met with the DECA group every Friday after school. In her second year as advisor, Whitney was joined by colleague Beth Trout.

Garnering that advisory support did not come easily to Huynh-Aoyama, a senior who had been trying to get DECA started since he was a freshman. Having grown up in Wareham and expecting to join a well-established DECA chapter, Huynh-Aoyama's family moved to Mattapoisett when he was in sixth grade.

"I was a bit disappointed," he said, knowing even then that ORR did not have the DECA program. "It's a great school - don't get me wrong, but it's still a small school and because of that we don't have the business set that most schools offer."

Huynh-Aoyama spent his freshman year trying to find support.

"I was a bit discouraged at first so I was slowly reaching out to my friends in other schools... how they started DECA," he said. "I learned that originally I was doing it alone, solo. I needed a team.

"Teamwork leads to teamwork. It was my junior year that I came across Eddie... the ball started to roll."

Now they are DECA co-founders and copresidents.

A Fairhaven resident, Gonet was looking for a high school with a business program and his choice came down to Bishop Stang and ORR. Despite not having a business program, ORR won out.

"When I got there Ryu approached me. Ryu said, 'Eddie, I've been trying to start a DECA here, but I haven't been very successful,'" Gonet recalled.

Teamwork was their answer,

Initially, near the end of the 2018-19 school year, before ORR's DECA chapter had become official, Huynh-Aoyama had a meeting with ORR Principal Mike Devoll and Superintendent of Schools Doug White.

They needed members, and they needed an advisor. Once the latter was in place, the growth of the former has been steady.

"In all honesty, there isn't an exact moment, but I





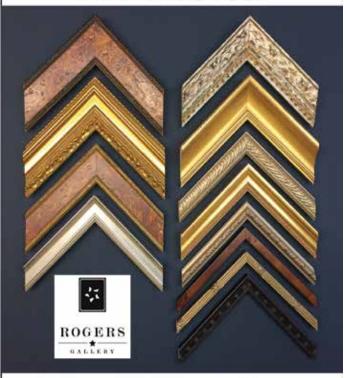
feel like over time (we) slowly built up more members," said Huynh-Aoyama. "Junior year we had a lot of people interested. 'Hey, this is what we're doing, would you like to do it?'"

The answer was often yes.

Huynh-Aoyama and Gonet made it a mission to educate their classmates and, by word of mouth, slowly spread the message throughout the hallways.

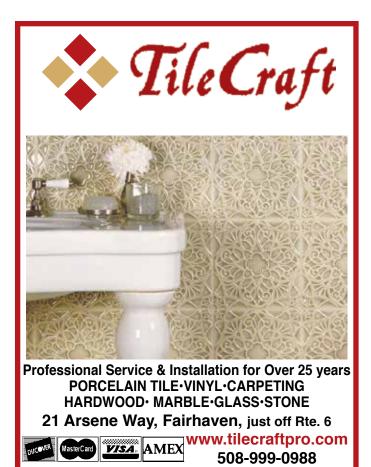
DECA sells itself at this point.

"We're always looking for new members, but ever since the start, our focus has always been on teaching the members we have," said Huynh-Aoyama. "We ourselves, it's our current members who do the marketing of DECA for us. It's a business lesson to itself. I feel like in so much Select the ideal frame to compliment your artwork, document or photograph.



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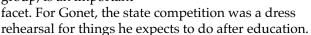
What they are doing is real-world type things, addressing problems and challenges, finding solutions, collaborating and learning how the real world works.

Those tasks may be the kind that make tycoons or the kind that help manage everyday life handling

personal finances.

"The students in the program - no one knows what is a credit score, how to do taxes or anything like that. We don't have a personal finances course. That's why we wanted to start DECA for students to have," said Gonet.

Competition is often part of the real business world so the contests, while a fun activity for the fledgling group, is an important



"You wait in a line - they give you a certain time to be there - then you go into a room, they give you an event situation," he explained.







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The subject was business administration and management, and the question was about the importance of professional development and why a business should implement it. Gonet had 10 minutes to prepare a response.

"In the competition, when you're talking to the judge, it's like a job interview or a typical day on the job," said Gonet, emphasizing the importance of things like an introductory handshake. "One time the judge had a cast on (his hand) and I didn't know what to do so I shook his cast. He really liked that."

There was a mini awards session on Friday, February 28, and a larger presentation on Saturday, February 29.



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Gonet, Mary Butler and Teddy Carroll were among ORR students whose state-competition performances qualified them for international competition that was to be hosted this year by Nashville, Tennessee, before the coronavirus outbreak canceled the continuing competition.

School closure due to the coronavirus will also postpone "Cause Day," which was scheduled for Friday, April 3. The scenic event held in 19 different tents on the high school track gives students 18 different charities to raise money in the community for donations.

"The nice thing about this is it's all about choice," said Gonet, alluding to local, regional and worldwide charities. DECA planned to participate in the event, in which all involved students wear the color symbolizing their chosen charity.

Gonet says DECA had told the ORR chapter it is on a five-year pilot program. "We'll give you five years to get one class at ORR. I'm not quite confident, but I think they'll extend the deadline," he said.

Had international competition been held, Huynh-Aoyama would not have taken up his invitation, having given it over to a younger student that could benefit more greatly from the training at the event.





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His dream job is to, "start my own business and build something of my own. I want to create something that can help other people as well. I feel like DECA is my prototype."

Huynh-Aoyama's dream for ORR is a business curriculum. "From this year onward, I strongly feel that the current DECA members in our chapters will be able to initiate and start those business classes," he said.

Told he has created a monster, Huynh-Aoyama answered, "hopefully one that outlasts me."

# Fluid Friday Trumped by State's Schools Shutdown By Mick Colageo

Friday the 13th was a whirlwind for community leaders, as Marion began the day by hosting an emergency-preparedness meeting in which the most-daunting comment was issued by Public Health Nurse Kathleen Downie, who said, "We are at the very beginning of this. We have a long way to go to get to the top of the curve."

While the cancelations being deliberated on Friday and into the current week are a stop-gap measure, Downie cautioned the meeting that a school closure will not go by quickly. "I would be surprised if it's over in two months," she said.

This was hours before Old Rochester Regional School District announced it had joined in with several school districts in southeastern Massachusetts including Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School with a plan to shut down for the March 16-20 week and hours before that announcement was trumped by Governor Charlie Baker's announcement that all public schools would be shut down until at least April 7.

On Friday morning, hours before the statemandated suspension of schools, Old Rochester Superintendent of Schools Doug White had told the emergency-preparedness meeting that the "education that will now be provided is essential education."

More relevant in light of Baker's announcement Friday night, White told the meeting that ORR schools have no online alternative such as colleges employ.

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Polansky had made an earlier determination, by midday issuing a statement announcing one-week's cancellation with reevaluation planned for Friday, March 20. The statement that a much larger group of school districts agreed upon by late afternoon, including ORR, mirrored the one that Old Colony had sent out.

Once Governor Baker spoke, Friday had become a day of due process deferred to the state.

The blow-by-blow at Old Rochester Regional High School included a 1:55 pm staff meeting in the cafeteria, where Principal Mike Devoll had promised teachers an update that at the time had not included the suspension of classes, only non-essential activities including any afterschool and evening activities,

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At the time, ORR reinforced its academic makeup policy, stressing that all classwork must be completed to pass and be awarded credit.

The high school canceled the March 18 FORM Concert and postponed the spring drama production of "Guys and Dolls" with no timetable on resumption.

The 3:30 pm late bus had been suspended, and there would be no more field trips for the remainder of the school year. Furthermore, heightened security measures were enacted to prohibit visitors with the exception of service providers and parents for meetings or guest speakers for assemblies, etc.

ORR planned to have more information from the

state on MCAS testing for sophomores by the early part of the current week, and students who had registered to take SAT exams on the March 14 weekend would be contacted directly by the college board if their testing location was closed.

The opening day of spring-season sports practices and tryouts, originally scheduled for March 16, was postponed to March 30, with captains' practices or large team gatherings strictly prohibited with consequences pending per the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA).

All of the above, of course, became subject to Governor Baker's decision that all public schools and extracurricular activities would be canceled until at least April 7.

The following organizations also made cancelation announcements on Friday, March 13:

# Mattapoisett Council on Aging

Prior to the announcement this week that all town buildings are to remain closed until April 6, the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen asked the town's Council on Aging to cancel all programs and activities at the COA until the end of March with a plan to reevaluate at that time.

As of Friday, the Mattapoisett COA had planned to remain open to the public during regular hours for questions, one-on-one services including outreach, and medical-equipment loans with transportation services



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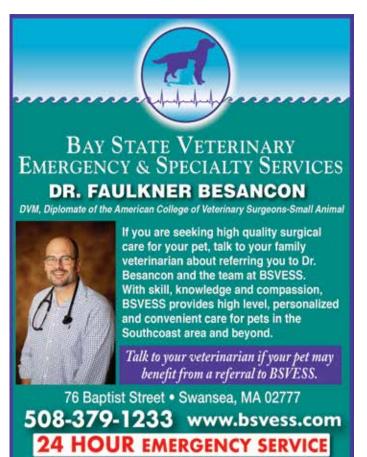
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still available to medical appointments, but those services were also canceled. The latest is no transportation for shopping, only for healthy people and only to medical appointments.

All such matters were subject to a Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen meeting planned for Wednesday, March 18.

For up-to-date information, visit www. mattapoisett.net, continue to check the COA's Facebook page or call 508-758-4110 with any questions.

#### **Mattapoisett FinCom**

The Mattapoisett Finance Committee voted unanimously on March 12 to transfer \$14,000 from the town's reserve fund to pay for an increase in sanitary

services in the wake of COVID-19, and these moneys will be used for the sanitation of the library and the town hall and other municipal spaces to be announced.

# **Rochester Council on Aging**

The Rochester Council on Aging has suspended all programs until April 1. Staff will be able to answer all questions or provide other services.

#### **Town of Marion Sanitation Efforts**

In an effort to combat any potential spread of COVID-19, the Town of Marion in conjunction with Old Rochester Regional School District is in the process of sanitizing all municipal buildings.

The first building receiving the treatment is the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center. All municipal buildings, police cruisers, ambulances, fire vehicles and Council on Aging transportation vans will be treated within a week.

Any questions please feel free to contact Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail at 508-748-3520.

# Sippican Healthcare Center

Sippican Healthcare Center in Marion, the lone nursing home in the Tri-Town area, is allowing no visitors except in specific cases such as those related to the end of life, according to Kathryn Soderberg, the chief corporate compliance officer at Whittier Health Network.

# Mattapoisett Planning Board

The meeting scheduled for Monday, March 16, has been canceled and all agenda items are continued until April 6 at 7:00 pm

#### Public Meeting on Industrial Drive in Mattapoisett

Based on Governor Baker's Advisory as to Public Meetings, the meeting on the Industrial Drive Public Work's Project scheduled for 6:30 pm on March 18 at Center School was postponed. In lieu of a public meeting, the presentation will be filmed and is scheduled to run on the Mattapoisett Government Cable Channels – Comcast 95 and Verizon 38 – starting on Thursday, March 19, at 6:30 pm.

#### DeCosta Fund Raiser Canceled

Due to the recent health concerns and out of an abundance of caution for the public, the March 28 spaghetti dinner fundraiser for the DeCosta for Selectmen Campaign was canceled. Refunds are available from the





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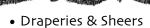
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back memories of my childhood illnesses, contagious diseases that were cared for and confined at home. Chickenpox, measles, mumps, scarlet fever, ear and throat infections, "the grippe" and seasonal fevers. Yes, I've suffered them all and survived, in no small part thanks to my mother's nursing skills.

At the first sign of emerging illness, the victim would be comfortably confined to the living room couch, which had been dressed with fresh sheets and a blanket. From this central vantage point, Ma would monitor the patient as she went about her other household duties. Cool compressions and fresh glasses of water were always at the ready with a heavy dose of "Don't move!" She believed in full body rest.

Stationed beside the water glass and thermometer would be a stack of coloring books and crayons and picture books to keep a young mind engaged and tamp down whining outbursts of, "I'm bored!"

If whatever ailed her child wasn't responding to oceans of clear fluids, aspirin tablets and/or a diet restricted to mashed bananas and toast, the family doctor would be called in for a second opinion.

In the afternoon the doctor would make his rounds visiting homes with sick children. "What do we have here," he'd say with a cheery tone meant to inspire trust. That didn't always work, however. He'd check our temperature, feel our neck glands, confirm Ma's diagnosis and basically tell her to keep up the good work. "Give it a couple more days," and he'd hasten to the next patient in his district.

Occasionally the doctor would have to return due to a secondary infection, something that seemed to happen to me throughout my early years. Ear and throat infections were roaring problems. The use of antibiotics had only recently been advanced as a possible cure. When those were administered, via injection, the relief a mere 24 hours later was amazing.

All the while, Ma kept up her nursing routines. I wonder now when she slept.

Bed baths including oral hygiene were strictly adhered to. She'd gently comb my hair, "That will make you feel better," she'd murmur. With a clean face and hands, back rub with cooling alcohol and combed hair I did feel better. Ma was determined to return her children to health. It was both physical and spiritual healing.

The tragedy my parents lived through with the passing of a baby boy two years before I was born never really left them. Dad never spoke of it until decades later when his mind began to recall only past events. Ma spoke about it often when I was a child.

Ma talked about the horror of watching her infant slowly creep towards the end of what would be a very short stay in her arms. In 1948 surgery for congenital heart defects was unheard of. Her baby was removed from the home to die in a hospital room far from its mother's screams. Ma really never stopped screaming for that baby or hearing its plaintive yelps. She'd tell me as she sat in



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her wheelchair after being admitted into nursing home care, "I hear a baby crying at night."

When I came along, a somewhat weak little infant born during a snowstorm, Ma's maternal instincts kicked into high gear. This baby would live. Though my struggles were all minimal compared to those the baby boy had faced, Ma treated each event like a life-or-death struggle.

My crib was placed next to the bed my parents shared. I know this because I was still sleeping beside them when I was about three or four years of age. Ma was taking no chances. I clearly remember standing up in the cot and looking at my sleeping parents. I must have made a sound because the next thing I remember was Ma



nestling me between her and Dad. Her sweetly smelling, talcum-powdered skin and Dad's earthy arms are forever imprinted in my memory.

As the years went by, Ma made sure I didn't scratch my body when chickenpox made my skin crawl. She chased away the high fever associated with measles with ice packs and aspirins. She made gallons of hot tea, trays of dry toast, mugs of bullion, cooling cubes of frozen orange juice. Ma watched with anxious expressions and nursed with conviction.

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#### Marion Establishes a Foodbank

Emergency Preparedness Meeting

# By Marilou Newell

Marion's new foodbank operating out of the otherwise-closed Community Center emanated from an announcement that Town Administrator Jay McGrail made, telling an Emergency Preparedness Meeting on March 13 that the town would be releasing funds from its reserve account to develop a foodbank plan that, by the end of the day, he hoped would be fully developed.

On Monday, March 16, McGrail reported success to the Board of Selectmen during its 3:00 pm meeting at Town House. He doubled down on the message March 17, noting 12 responses to Marion's reverse 911 call.

The foodbank, at the Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street, has been set up to distributing arranged bags of groceries from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Bags are categorized for families of four and families of two. The town asks residents when pulling up to the Center to stay in their vehicles, show proof of residency, and let volunteers know how many members are in their family.

The town notified Marion residents in need who are unable to make it to the Center or feel unsafe going out may call 508-748-3570 and arrangements will be made to assist those residents.

Senior citizens wishing to receive a daily home-delivered meal provided by Coastline Elderly Services are invited to call 508-748-3570 to sign up for the program.

The emergency preparedness team meeting on Friday morning, March 13, included Old Rochester Regional Superintendent of Schools Doug White, public health officials including Public Health Nurse Kathleen Downie, Board of Health members including Vice Chairperson Edward P. Hoffer, MD, representatives from the Fire and Police departments, Board of Selectmen member Norman Hills and Assistant Town Administrator Judy Mooney.

Hoffer, a practicing physician, was told not to travel to Boston so he has made himself available to the Board of Health and was nominated Friday morning as chief coordinator for Marion's emergency-preparedness effort.

Downie continues to remind people that if people think they are sick or think they have the coronavirus, they need to call their doctor first and not to go to the emergency room without calling ahead. "We don't want anyone going to the doctor without calling first," she told the meeting.

At the time of the meeting, Old Rochester Regional High School had yet to suspend school per order of Governor Charlie Baker (that would come later that

evening), opting at the time to conduct classroom work only. White told the meeting that the "education that will now be provided is essential education."

White did caution the meeting that if any school in the district was to close, all would close and there would be no online alternative from home. Effectively, public education would be suspended. When asked by the *Wanderer*, "What about seniors?" White answered, "Fill in the blanks."

The subject of students on reduced or free lunch programs was also discussed.

"We are at the very beginning of this. We have a long way to go to get to the top of the curve," said Downie, noting that, while cancelations are a stop-gap measure, a brief school closure might not be effective, adding, "I would be surprised if it's over in two months."

Hours before Tabor Academy announced its plan to extend its current suspension of school per its academic calendar to April 13, McGrail reported having asked the Tabor administration to provide a written plan before the students return.

Hoffer wondered aloud if Marion could overrule the prep school if the plans Tabor brings forward in response to McGrail's request are considered inadequate. McGrail answered, "Yes." Tabor has many students returning from outside the country.

Marion will arrange for transportation through the Council on Aging for seniors for doctor appointments, but not for grocery shopping. Effective March 13, the town was also looking to expand restrictions on the Meals on Wheels program.

# Mattapoisett's New Town Administrator Begins Amidst Pandemic By Marilou Newell

"It's certainly not a routine first day!"
Mattapoisett's new Town Administrator Michael
Lorenco embraced the obvious as he embarked upon his
first day on March 16.

The *Wanderer* sat down with Lorenco that afternoon, a day punctuated by difficulties related to COVID-19. Lorenco expressed the challenges of not





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only beginning a new job but beginning at a time when decisions needed to be made in rapid succession to ensure that residents and town employees remained as safe as possible.

"We've been hand-delivering notices to businesses such as restaurants to make sure they are in compliance with the latest state-issued mandates," Lorenco said.

At press time the Governor's office had set the maximum number of people gathering at any given location at 25 people to be lifted on April 6. However, at the same time, the US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) were suggesting gatherings of 50 people or more be canceled for the next eight weeks. Lorenco commented



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that the situation is very fluid.

Lorenco said that plans were in the making to accommodate town employees that need support should they or family members become ill. Plans were shaping up for some employees to work from home. Planning for public meetings and hearings was also being discussed but with no clear path forward at the present time, as the head of the Mattapoisett leadership team acknowledged the importance of the town's business operating at some levels.

For the first time in its history, Mattapoisett's Town Hall closed its doors to the public effective March 16 at 4:00 pm until at least April 6. Lorenco said that an outside



dropbox was in place allowing documents and payments to continue to flow into Town Hall.

"We want people to be safe," Lorenco said, adding that given the symptoms are so similar to "regular" flu people may not know they are infected. The pandemic was very much on his mind and hard to ignore even for a few moments. "COVID-19 has put us into planning mode."

Setting those concerns aside as best he could, Lorenco said that he would be looking at the large capital projects facing the community as high on his list of things to come up to speed on quickly.

Also ranking high on the list from Lorenco's perspective was the need to address the Town Hall building itself, acknowledging that early study of the structure seems to be pointing away from renovating the current building given its age and condition.

Other large projects Lorenco will be working on include repairs to the historic wharves, and the needs

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of the aging population. "We need to make sure we are providing adequate services to our seniors," he said, alluding to his work in his previous position as Assistant Town Administrator and Finance Director in the Town of Eastham.

Regarding the strong financial foundation the town currently enjoys, Lorenco said that it will be important to control debt and continue to put money aside for post-employment benefits known as OPEB obligations.

Lorenco said the first few months would be spent working closely with former Town Administrator Mike Gagne, who will be staying on as the two formulate a transition strategy. "He'll be staying on through town meeting," he said of Gagne's assistance. "He built the budget, he worked with the boards, he needs to see things through to the end."

Looking ahead, Lorenco wants to assure the townspeople that he is up to the tasks at hand.

"I can do this job," he said, pointing to his experience planning and executing large budgets including multi-million-dollar capital projects and his investment into the health and well-being of the community's tax dollars is upper most in his mind. "It's important to be transparent. The taxpayers' dollars are my responsibility... people expect you to do more with less."

Lorenco is a 2004 graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School and attended both Center and Old Hammondtown schools. During his interview process, Lorenco shared that he holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Bentley College in corporate finance and a Master's in Public Administration from Suffolk University.

Lorenco wrote in his introductory letter that he had experience in municipal budgets, state public procurement regulations, organization and personnel management, as well as union negotiation and grievance processes. He also noted, "...I have vast personal knowledge of Mattapoisett, as it is my hometown for most of my life. For over 30 years my family called Mattapoisett home."

On a personal note, while Lorenco is currently back at the family home, he will be looking for his own home soon. He moved in with family to avoid a long commute from a house he owns in Harwich. "I'll be





selling that house soon," he said.

#### **Tri-Town Closes Public Doors**

Board of Selectmen Meetings

By Mick Colageo

Appointed and elected officials in Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester have held their meetings and emerged with likeminded strategies to maximize public safety amidst the COVID-19, aka coronavirus outbreak.

By Tuesday, March 17, all three of the Tri-Town communities had closed the doors of public facilities and enacted plans to deploy essential staff only.

The Marion Board of Selectmen met on Monday



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afternoon, the Rochester Board of Selectmen on Monday night, while Mattapoisett selectmen were scheduled to meet on Wednesday morning.

"It's been a completely overwhelming day," said Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail at Monday's meeting.

Tuesday he was happy to tell the *Wanderer* that Marion's reverse 911 call generated 12 responses, some in regard to the town's new foodbank at the Cushing Community Center.

On Monday night, Rochester Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar told the town's Board of Selectmen that she recommends a state of emergency because it is proactive, "allows the town to have access to funds," citing emergency clauses that kick in. "Basically, this is not about panic, but placing the town in a position of greater flexibility," she said.

A motion passed, and Rochester's state of emergency effective March 16 will remain in effect until further notice from the town.

Only a few hours earlier, McGrail reported having sought advice for Marion about an emergency order but relented, citing the unwanted spread of panic in that community. "The advice right now is there is no value," he told the Board of Selectmen.

Marion and Mattapoisett town halls closed at 4:00 pm on Monday, March 16, and Rochester effective March 17. All will remain closed until April 6, the common date for area communities to revisit the coronavirus threat and determine if municipal buildings or public meetings should be opened or any regular services restored.

Like Marion and Rochester, Mattapoisett is formulating plans so that the public can continue interacting with town employees, making the townspeople aware of emails, direct phone lines, drop-off boxes for payments, etc. The employees will be present, but the public will not be allowed into the buildings. For information, Mattapoisett residents can call 508-758-4100.

Marion has established a hotline (508-748-3570) for residents aimed primarily at making sure people know how to access the foodbank. People may contact the Councils on Aging for food distribution. Curbside





collection and transfer station schedules will remain unchanged. The COA will be open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm only to calls.

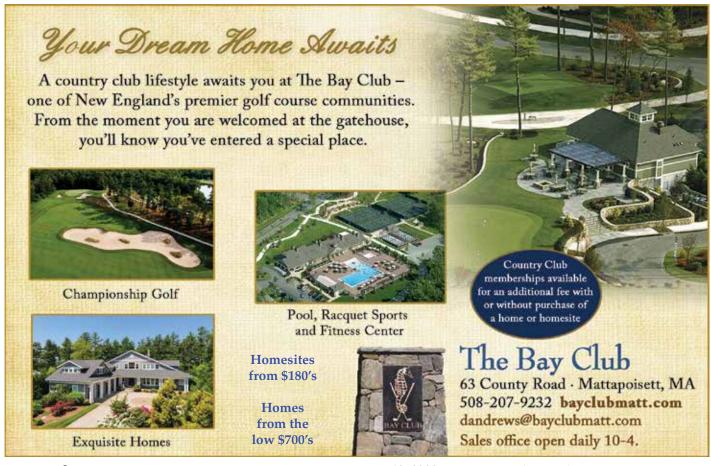
Marion is also working on a program to allow students of Sippican and Old Rochester schools to pick up lunches, and also has the ability to expand its Meals on Wheels program.

On March 16, Rochester sent out a comprehensive notice for residents in light of its closures.

Although Town Hall and Annex offices are closed to the public until further notice, Rochester residents can call 508-763-3871 for assistance during normal business hours.

Rochester COA building is closed and all







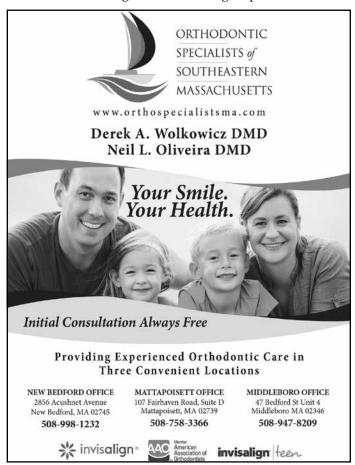
programs and activities are canceled until further notice, but meals distributed through the COA and medical transportation (for healthy seniors) will continue. Call 508-763-8723.

Plumb Library staff will be available by phone from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at 508-763-8600.

Rochester's Conservation Commission meeting scheduled for March 17 was canceled, and all cases were continued to April 7.

Citing Governor Baker's loosening of the state's open-meetings law requiring a quorum and that participants meet in the same room, Marion has hired Go to Meeting to set up a function for conference call.

"Even though we're a small group... we need



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our group to be as healthy as possible," said McGrail, who hopes that the next Board of Selectmen's meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 19, will be held on conference call via Go to Meeting. McGrail signed up Marion for the basic audio function, which can be expended to video conferencing.

While Rochester is exploring a similar option, Mattapoisett has decided against conferencing its public meetings. On March 16, Andy Bobola, the Mattapoisett's director of inspectional services, was awaiting word from legal counsel as to whether or not the town could use a web-based platform for public hearings. That decision has been made in the negative at least for now. As of March 17, Mattapoisett has canceled all public hearings until further notice.

One concern any town would face in streaming public meetings is once applications are accepted the clock starts ticking on how quickly boards of appeal respond to applications. Failure to do so could lead to legal action against a town for not acting in a timely manner, so such wrinkles require careful planning.

Mattapoisett's next Zoning Board of Appeals meeting originally scheduled for Thursday, March 19, was to include a public hearing on a significant solar project. That was before all public meetings were canceled in Mattapoisett.

"A lot has changed in the last couple of days," McGrail told Marion's Board of Selectmen on Monday. "I have no preconceived notion that things will be better and we'll be out of this in a week."

Police and Fire will remain open in Marion, but McGrail requests that people please call ahead.

The list of essential employees only starting on March 17 will change on a daily basis depending on the staff needed to answer phones, take emergency calls and deal with payroll and town finances.

"Some employees who are home this week may need to come in next week," said McGrail, who will ask the staff to check voicemail hourly, first for emergency calls that may not have been routed correctly and, secondly, for cases in which it becomes possible to do some of their work from home.

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Marion's Department of Public Works will likewise be closed to the public. Some DPW staff will stay home, some will come into the office for essential duties only. "We're still trying to operate according to DPW requirements and respond to emergencies," said McGrail.

Marion's Harbormaster department will stay on call, and there will be individuals making daily checks for illegal fishing.

The latest from Mattapoisett is no transportation for shopping, only for healthy people and only to medical appointments.

All such matters were subject to a Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen meeting planned for Wednesday, March 18

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# **FinCom Transfers Funds for Sanitizing Fees**

Mattapoisett Finance Committee

#### By Marilou Newell

The last public meeting held in Mattapoisett Town Hall before the building was effectively closed to public gatherings was a meeting of the Mattapoisett Finance Committee held on Thursday, March 12, at 4:30 pm.

The committee has been meeting weekly with various department heads to discuss FY21 budgeting and



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to share how FY20 plans and goals were moving along. On this afternoon, outgoing Town Administrator Mike Gagne opened the meeting by saying a big concern for town governments across the commonwealth would be how to hold public meetings, conduct hearings, and still be mindful of social distancing and keeping public surfaces clean.

Gagne said that the public presentation and meeting planned for 6:30 pm on March 18 at Center School to discuss infrastructure improvements to Industrial Drive would instead be filmed and at that time on ORCTV without public participation. He said those wishing to share their ideas, questions, or opinions would be able to do so after the presentation aired via a link on





the town's website. He said it would not be prudent to invite the public into the school at this time.

Gagne briefly discussed the current COVID-19 crisis saying the town was in a "watch-see" mode at the present time, but that efforts to ramp up sanitation were in place with town hall employees wiping down counters and spaces used by the public.

To further the cleanliness of public buildings Gagne asked the Finance Committee to transfer \$14,000 from the reserve fund to janitorial salary and services to give him the flexibility of hiring sanitation teams. He said that the town hall and library would be included in full-on disinfecting actions. He said such actions would also include three cleanings per week for all municipal buildings, up from two. The request was granted.

Other transfers that were also moved from the reserve fund were: \$18,000 for legal services; \$7,500 care of shade trees; \$5,000 Route 6 hydrant rentals from the town of Fairhaven; \$7,700 parks including additional improvements to the former Holy Ghost Park Street building; \$15,000 to upgrade street lights to LED, and selectmen's clerical salary \$4,000. Regarding the LED upgrades, Gagne said that by switching to the more energy-efficient bulbs the town would see about a \$50,000 savings over the next three years. He also noted that there are 368 street lights throughout the community.

Meeting with the committee was Kathleen Costello, Administrator of Assessing. Costello reminded



the committee that she is also responsible for all information technology (IT) platforms and functions throughout the municipal system and that upgraded security systems were in place. She said she also maintained the highest level of security possible by ensuring that employees are not opening emails or other electronic transmissions from unknown sources. "We have to think about cyber-security," she said, adding, "... most problems arrive through emails."

In the wake of COVID-19, Costello said that she had been working to ensure that systems could handle an increase in online activities, including the collection of fees and payment of salaries.

Also meeting with the committee was Town Clerk Catherine Heuberger, who discussed the need to have volunteers on boards and committees fully updated and trained on rules and responsibilities including ethics and open meeting laws. She planned to reach out to committee chairmen regarding this matter.

One final comment from Gagne was a bright note – he said that currently, the town has approximately \$1 million in five stability funds and \$4 million in an OPEB trust fund. "That's more than any other town in the SouthCoast – that's incredible," he stated.

At press time, all public meetings in Mattapoisett have been postponed. Check the town's website for important updates at www.mattapoisett.com and call town hall offices if you need assistance at 508-758-4100.







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# Local AD's, MIAA Holding Out Hope for 2020 Spring Season

Sports Roundup **By Nick Friar** 

The high school spring sports season was supposed to start on Monday. Then when the NBA suspended its season because a Utah Jazz player preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19, other professional leagues followed suit. Then the NCAA canceled the men's and women's basketball tournaments, and the organization also called off the spring season. Then high schools felt the impact, and their sports with it.

"We talked to a few kids as it was coming up because we thought we saw it coming at us," Old Rochester athletic director Bill Tilden said. "I mean, they're all upset. For some, it's their final season, where other kids you have juniors that are upset because this is the year that colleges are looking at, and they have no stats to show in these sports. But, everyone's pretty much in the same boat."

The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) has not yet given up on the spring season. The MIAA Board of Directors, which includes Old Colony athletic director Matt Trahan, announced on Monday it hopes to start the spring season on April 27.

"The nice thing about (the meeting) was, the season being canceled was never on the table," Trahan said. "We're trying to salvage anything we can for the seniors and the teams. These kids are all looking forward to it, and they're being dealt a really, really tough hand.

"I know in talking to a lot of the people that I work with, the ADs (athletic directors), we're doing whatever we can to salvage the spring season. Whether it's an abbreviated season or just league play, whatever we can do."



Now, if this were the winter season, high school sports might face a greater challenge, but the spring season makes it realistic to think games could still be played.

However, the MIAA's efforts could be to no avail. Between the state government, the federal government and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, high schools only have so much say in the next step. Still, the MIAA will do everything in its power to hit the ground running if given the chance.

"We're doing our very best to be patient and salvage what we can for the kids," Trahan said. "Because, at the end of the day, they do all the hard work. And I've talked to a bunch of my kids – they're all devastated. And we've got greater things to worry about. Obviously, health and safety, and all of the kids that are involved in all of the schools everywhere, that's important. But, on my end and all the other ADs, I think sports is always on the mind."

In the meantime, Tilden and Trahan hope students and parents take the situation and social distancing seriously.

"Enjoy some forced quality time with your family," Tilden said. "We've all done it in the past, but usually it was like a week from a major snowstorm and you might've done half of it without power and you still did all right. So now, we've got power, we've got everything that you should have — maybe not hand sanitizer and some of the basics that you would want. But I think we're all finding ways to make it work. But, just stick it out, it's going to be a long break, but I think we'll all come out stronger and more appreciative of our families, at the end of the day.

"I don't think any of us realize how much we appreciate sports and take them for granted until it's gone as fast as it was taken."

# Tabor Closes Campus; Students to Return April 13

On March 13, Tabor Academy announced the delay of return of the prep school's students until April 13 due to the COVID-19 situation. On March 16, Tabor closed its campus to all non-essential visitors.

"We are very sorry to report that we need to close access to our campus until further notice. No one beyond those who live at Tabor Academy should be in any of our buildings or making use of our playing fields at this time. All campus rentals and events have been cancelled," a press release stated. "We appreciate that these are difficult times and we look forward to returning to a more open stance once restrictions have been lifted. Thank you for your understanding."

On Friday, while Marion was requesting a plan from Tabor, the prep school was preparing its shutdown ahead of the public schools' decision. Here are the highlights of Tabor's academic plan as of March 13, as

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submitted in a press release.

#### Academic Schedule/Return from break

Acting Head of School Julie Salit has made the decision to delay the return of all students from spring break to Monday, April 13. This does not include those students who remained on campus this break due to travel restrictions to their home countries and our campus will remain open to those students.

Online distance learning will occur for all students beginning Thursday, March 26, through Friday, April 10. On-campus classes will resume on Tuesday, April 14. The faculty are confident that we can ensure the continuity of our students' education online until we are back on campus as a community of learners.

The delay in our return to community life on campus will allow students who traveled during break to essentially "self-quarantine" away from campus for the 14-day recommended period to ensure they remain asymptomatic for that duration before returning. We have asked our faculty who have traveled this spring break to observe the same guidelines upon their arrival home.

Additionally, we have recommended to our families and faculty to restrict all non-essential travel through April 13, and to follow all CDC guidelines and travel restrictions.

## Campus events

Tabor has canceled its fun and informative Revisit Day program for its recently admitted students and

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is now planning an exciting virtual experience for this audience.

Other events on campus (administration of the ACT, campus rentals, concerts, team practices) have all been canceled through April 14. We have not made decisions about athletic practices and contests beyond this date and are in close communication with the heads of our fellow Independent School League schools.

# Friends of Old Rochester Music Concerts

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and programs, the concerts present a unique opportunity for younger students to see what is in store for them if they commit to the chorus, an instrument or both! The Choral concert featured several soloists and small groups of singers. Although the crowd was thinner due



to public health concerns, the event was well-attended by school faculty and administrators including Superintendent of Schools, Douglas R. White, Ir. and incoming Superintendent of Schools, Mike Nelson, M.Ed.

In advance of the concert, Dr. White sent a schoolwide email outlining the ORR District's recommendations to attend only if feeling healthy and free of cold symptoms.

With the FORM Instrumental concert canceled on Tuesday, not only will many music students miss out on the opportunity to perform, but there will be a shortfall in FORM's scholarship account. Ticket sales



for the Instrumental concert provide around \$3,500 for scholarships for graduating seniors. Please consider donating to FORM, attending an upcoming concert (pending on spring schedule updates) or supporting our



Music for your Mouth fundraiser at Chipotle, currently scheduled for **April 1** from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Please see FORM website or Facebook page for details.

F.O.R.M. (Friends of Old Rochester Music) is a non-profit, all-volunteer booster group for music students in the Old Rochester Regional School District. Together with our local community, our efforts raise funds to provide scholarship awards to graduating music students, support performance opportunities, and purchase additional equipment and supplies beyond the regular budget. At the junior and high school levels, F.O.R.M. works directly with the music directors, providing volunteers and financial support to supplement the music programs. Being a F.O.R.M. volunteer provides parents, guardians, and friends an integral role in their student's musical education experience. We invite you to visit

our website and learn more about this dynamic organization. Please join us for an upcoming event or concert performance.

#### Who We Are and What We Do

Marion Historical Commission

### By Meg Steinberg

Many people are asking what the newly reconstituted Marion Historical Commission is all about. How are we different from the Sippican Historical Society? Why does Marion need two separate historical organizations?

In reality, the two organizations are very different. The Sippican Historical Society is a privately

funded 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with duespaying membership. According to the SHS website, it was "founded in 1963 for the purpose of fostering interest in the history of Marion, encouraging historical research and writing, and establishing a museum to preserve and display artifacts, documents, and artwork pertaining to the town." The museum and society are housed in the historic Walton Nye Ellis house at the corner of Main and Front streets in Marion.

The Society has been an active voice for the preservation of historic buildings as one facet of its many roles in exploring Marion's history through its collections of historic artifacts and documents. As a preservation activist, the Society has led the way in such projects as



# LOCAL CABLE PROGRAMMING

Check www.orctv.org for the latest updates to the schedule.

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11:00 AM Lucy's Big Beautiful World of Painting 11:30 AM Books and the World

12:00 PM Tri-Town TV 12:30 PM Grumpy Old Men Cooking 1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment

1:30 PM Registers Report
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Neighborhoods to Nations

3:30 PM Building the Future
4:00 PM The Human Truth

4:30 PM Racism in America (Part 7) 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

6:30 PM Let's Talk Business 7:00 PM Arts Alive 7:30 PM The Cinemaniacs! 8:30 PM Stop My Crisis

9:00 PM Science 360
9:30 PM Money Matters TV
10:00 PM Learning Music with Pat
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Friday March 20, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Health Source
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6:31 PM Let's Talk Business 7:30 PM The World Fusion Show 8:00 PM Youth Suicide 8:30 PM Money Matters TV

9:00 PM Sound Off 10:00 PM Registers Report 10:30 PM The David Pakman Show 11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday March 22, 2020 6:00 AM Veterans Voice

6:00 AM Veterans Voice 9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester-March 8, 2020

10:00 AM Mind Matters
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM The Art of Being Human
11:30 AM Mental Health Matters
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Dropkick Kitchen
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Health Source

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2:30 PM The Chundria Show
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3:30 PM Cape Conversation
4:00 PM The Human Truth
4:30 PM Books and the World
5:00 PM Neighborhoods to Nations
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

6:30 PM Let's Talk Business
7:30 PM Off the Shelf
8:00 PM Perils for Pedestrians
8:30 PM The Cinemaniacs!
9:30 PM Ghost Chronicles

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11:30 PM Democracy Now!

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10:30 PM The David Pakman Show 11:30 PM Democracy Now!

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10:30 PM The David Pakman Show 11:30 PM Democracy Now!

#### MARION GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 39 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Finance Committee - March 11, 2020

8:33 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals - March 12, 2020

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12:30 PM Marion School Committee - March 4, 2020
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# Daily Schedule

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7:00 AM Rochester School Committee - March 12, 2020

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11:36 PM Rochester Planning Board - March 10, 2020

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7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM ORR FORM Choral Concert - March 10,

2020 8:30 AM Marion Natural History Museum - The

Butterfly Man 9:39 AM Marion Art Center - John Magnan

Presentation 10:30 AM Marion Art Center - Fox on the Fairway Cast Interview

10:47 AM Marion Natural History Museum -Wildflowers

12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly

12:30 PM ORRHS Senior Superlative Night - February 5, 2020

1:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Butterfly Man 2:39 PM Marion Art Center - John Magnan

2:39 PM Marion Art Center - John Magnan Presentation

3:30 PM ORR FORM Choral Concert - March 10, 2020

4:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Rossini Reed Raum Concert

6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly

6:30 PM Marion Art Center - Fox on the Fairway Cast Interview

6:47 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Wildflowers

8:00 PM ORR 8th Grade Parent Information Evening 2020

9:02 PM OC Girls Basketball vs Sturgis East Charter
- February 27, 2020

10:30 PM OC Boys Basketball vs Cape Cod Academy - February 28, 2020

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the preservation of the village post office and Walton Nye Ellis House, the former Brown's Pharmacy, Captain Hadley House and the Marion General Store.

Local historical commissions, on the other hand, are an important part of municipal government in Massachusetts. Almost all cities and towns in the state have established a local historical commission. Historical Commission members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen and bring an array of talents and knowledge of history, architecture, and preservation planning to the Commission. Our new Commission is comprised of Chairperson Will Tifft, Sidney Bowen, Bryan McSweeny, Meg Steinberg and Jane Tucker.

Historic commissions are responsible for community-wide historic preservation planning and are guided and supported by the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office in Boston.

Compiling a historic property inventory is an essential first step for a historical commission. This is done on MHC inventory forms. Inventory forms address the first task of preservation planning – identification. The inventory of Marion's resources was begun in 1998 when a preservation consultant was hired to do a town-wide overview. Close to 200 forms were completed, many of which covered large groupings of buildings with minimal property-specific information.

Now, the Marion Historical Commission's first objective is to update and complete the town-wide survey to current state specifications, which now include digital recording and availability on the statewide MACRIS website. Funding requests to the Massachusetts Historical Commission and the Marion Community Preservation Commission have recently been made. Community approval of the CPC funds at May 2020 Town Meeting will ensure the survey can get started soon.

After a comprehensive survey is compiled, local commissions prioritize properties for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register is a formal federal recognition of the significance of the property but places absolutely no restrictions or conditions on private property owners unless there is state or federal involvement in a project.

The National Register is a federal listing of buildings, structures, sites, objects and districts significant in our nation's history, culture, architecture or archeology and that are worthy of preservation. Only two Marion properties are presently listed on the National Register: the H.R. Reed House at 46 Water Street and the Bird Island Lighthouse. Many, many more Marion properties are eligible for individual listing or for listing as part of an historic district. This designation is known to increase property values and community pride.

Other responsibilities of a Local Historical Commission may include requests from federal or state agencies to evaluate state or federally-assisted projects in the town that may impact historic or archeological

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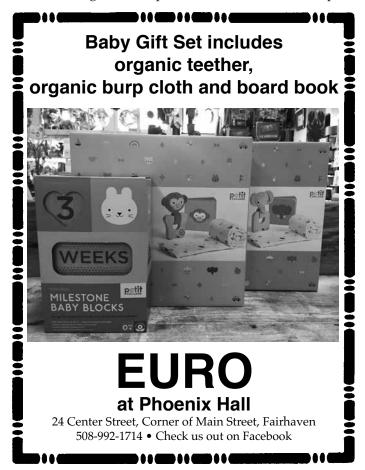
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resources. Having a complete historic inventory on hand enables the Commission to evaluate potential harmful impacts and argue for more historically sensitive treatments.

Historical commissions play a leadership role in public education that the community's historic resources are important to preserve. Walking tours, plaques, newspaper articles, and public lectures are some of the ways this can happen. In fact, a little-known walking tour of the Wharf Village (Marion Village area) was prepared in 1998 by the Sippican Historical Society. It will soon be reprinted and made more available to the public.

Historical commissions advise elected officials and other boards on historic preservation issues. Issues could include zoning changes, the re-use of municipally-owned historic buildings, master planning or preservation of historic landscapes.

Ordinarily, historical commissions do not have a regulatory function. However, many towns have opted for bylaw protections, through local bylaws adopted at Town Meeting, to better protect local resources. Examples



# Movie Review



# Radiohead

# By Rob Gonsalves www.robsmovievault.com

Lost Transmissions. Starring Simon Pegg and Juno Temple. Directed by Katharine O'Brien. Running time: 105 minutes. No MPAA rating. In limited theatrical release or available on streaming services.

Whenever I get too exercised about how the Disney/Marvel/Star Wars axis will crush all other art and entertainment under their jackboots, along comes a tiny, well-meaning but terrible indie drama to reassure me that such things, however dreary and rare, still exist. This month's proof is Lost Transmissions, and the hell of it is that it's apparently based on writer-director Katharine O'Brien's own experiences "trying to help a friend of ours who had gone off their medication." So I feel like a heel for sneering at it, but damn it all, this sort of story — about a smart, creative man who also contends with schizophrenia — deserves a sharper telling. It's a wasted opportunity, despite the impassioned performances and O'Brien's obvious genuineness of feeling.

Set in the least sunshiny Los Angeles I've seen since *Blade Runner*, the story really centers on Hannah (Juno Temple), who answers phones by day and tinkers with songwriting in her spare time. Hannah has drifted into the orbit of gregarious music producer Theo (Simon Pegg), who spots some talent in Hannah and invites her to his recording studio. Relieved, we see that this isn't a sleazy come-on — something in her bashful singing voice seems to have touched him, and he legitimately wants to share that. Though Theo isn't a lech, he has other issues — a victim of a bad-acid mishap back when he used to be in a band, he's a schizophrenic, with all the paranoid delusions and preoccupation with radio static that go with it (in movies, anyway). Theo is fine when he's on his meds. But he has a history of going off them, and he's just recently done it again.

Hannah herself is on meds for depression, and early on, Theo low-key shames her for being on them and muting the profound feelings that could fuel her art. This is the sort of dangerous ersatz prescription that ignores the fact that most unmedicated depressives have trouble doing anything much more ambitious than getting out of bed in the morning, much less recording the great American album, but it's also the sort of thing a guy like Theo would say. At one point, Hannah tosses out her bottle of pills, and we wait for her abilities to help her friend to be negatively impacted as a result of *her* going off her meds. But that doesn't happen, and we never see her going back on them, either. The perhaps unintended subtext is that some mental illnesses severely require chemical rebalance and ... others don't? I'm going to be charitable and chalk it up to scenes



that had to come out to keep the movie at an hour-forty-five, with the result that some important connective tissue got thrown out with the bathwater.

If O'Brien wanted to make some trims for time, she might've begun with the whole subplot in which Hannah finds herself writing songs for a pop star (Alexandra Daddario, that lamp-eyed fan favorite). It's not clear how much of a role Theo plays in Hannah's getting this gig, though he honks a little bit about her selling out. This subplot leads nowhere special and could've been plucked out with no harm done to the essence and spine of the piece, which is how Hannah and her friends try to get Theo to a hospital or at least back on his meds. Hannah keeps getting thwarted, at one point finding him at a party and ... eating some 'shrooms, which isn't very helpful. Pegg, in a rare dramatic outing, does some impressive emotional pirouettes, though the movie has been structured to let him do so. It's an unavoidably plum role — the shrewd, poetically unbalanced artist who gets to natter on about "the princess of time" while everyone else in the movie weeps over his increasingly poor life choices. (In an earlier day, it would've been the Robin Williams role.) Juno Temple is positioned to take over the film, but her character is too glumly conceived; Hannah seems like a minor supporting character promoted to lead.

There's got to be a middle ground between the horse hockey of something like A Beautiful Mind (which I did enjoy as metaphor, but it's nobody's idea of a plausible account of schizophrenia) and the rigorous art of Lodge Kerrigan's dazzling Clean, Shaven, which put us right inside a schizophrenic's seething, teeming head. It would've cost nothing extra to approach Lost Transmissions (a destined-to-be-misremembered title) on the script level more cleverly and even with more wit. Someone as sharp as Theo, who's clearly been around the block a few times, would realistically foil any attempts to "betray" him as he sees it. What if the movie were more about what a doctor does late in the movie — earning trust by going along with Theo's delusions? Hannah and her friends could then try to construct a counter-fantasy to point Theo towards the help he needs. It would be a thin line to tread between originality and bad taste, but whichever way the movie fell might have been more engaging than what we get here.

might be local historic districts (with design review of certain exterior changes), demolition-delay bylaws, scenic-road bylaws or village-center zoning. These options may eventually be considered in Marion but certainly not without long and thorough public education and understanding of their merits in advance.

For now, the Marion Historical Commission is excited to take on its official role of community preservation leadership for the town. There is a new presence on the Town of Marion website, (www. marionma.gov/historical-commission), including our Mission Statement and links to important local historic maps and the MACRIS inventory database.

The webpage will contain updates on local preservation concerns such as the preservation of the Marion Town House and protection of the H.H. Richardson-designed Percy Browne House at 192 Front Street.

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Monday, March 23: Chicken cacciatore, Italian pasta, Jardinière vegetable blend, Scali bread, apple, strawberry yogurt cup.

**Tuesday, March 24:** Tossed salad with dressing, Shepherd's pie, peas and mushrooms, oatmeal roll, pears. **Wednesday, March 25:** Broccoli and cheese stuffed chicken, Malibu vegetable blend, Lyonnaise potatoes, multigrain bread, mini Tiramisu cake.

**Thursday, March 26:** Roast pork, apple gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, Italian vegetable blend, whole wheat roll, applesauce.

**Friday, March 27:** Tuna noodle casserole, peas and carrots, wheat roll, peaches.

#### **Rochester Land Trust**

As a precaution, the Rochester Land Trust is postponing the Annual Meeting that was scheduled for March 26. We apologize for the inconvenience and we will reschedule at a later date when able.

#### Mattapoisett Congregational Church Suspends Services & Activities

On Friday, March 13, Pastor Amy Lignitz Harken, and Phil Jackson, Chair of the Council at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church (MCC), jointly announced the suspension of all activities taking place at the Church



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- Village Dr Officer wanted Village Dr Disturbance/family
- River Rd EMS/medical
- Jenney Ln EMS/medical
- Cove Cir General offense
- Pumping Station Rd Suspicious person
- Washburn Park Rd Property found
- Point Rd Officer wanted
- Mill St Suspicious activity Converse Rd Health/welfare
- Mill St EMS/medical
- Front St MV collision
- Cranberry Hwy MV collision
  Wareham Rd EMS/medical
- Converse Rd Suspicious activity
- Route 195 West Officer wanted
- Rebecca Dr EMS/medical
- Oak St Suspicious person
- Village Dr EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd Suspicious activity
- County Rd Suspicious activity
- Route 195 East MV collision
- Parkway Ln EMS/medical
- Mill St Larceny/past
- Wareham Rd MV collision
- Front St Suspicious person
- Wareham Rd Officer wanted

#### **MATTAPOISETT**

#### Log highlights March 8-March 15

- Knollwood Dr General service
- Ocean View Ave Medical/assist
- Shaw St 911 call
- Lebaron Way Ambulance request
- Ocean View Ave Medical/assist
- Marion Rd MV violations
- Church St Restraining order
- Prospect Rd Property lost
- Ocean View Ave Medical/assist
- North St Animal control
- County Rd Follow up investigation
- North St Animal control
- Ocean View Ave Medical/assist
- Mattapoisett Neck Rd MV accident
- Ocean View Ave Follow up
- Barstow St General transport
- Barstow St Follow up investigation
- Upland Way Medical/assist
- Lebaron Way Health/welfare
- Brandt Island Rd Restraining order Neds Point Rd Open door
- Acushnet Rd Notification
- Acushnet Rd Animal control
- Acushnet Rd Assist citizen
- County Rd Assist other agency
- County Rd Property lost
- Lebarón Way Health/welfare
- County Rd MV crash
- Cedar St General service

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#### Log highlights March 8-March 15

- Hartley Rd 911 call
- Hartley Rd Animal control
- Cranberry Hwy 911 call Cushman Rd Animal control
- Cranberry Hwy General services
- Neck Rd Suspicious MV
- Benson Rd MV stop/citation
- Rounseville Rd MV lockout
- Braley Hill Rd Disturbance
- Dr Braley Rd Medical emergency
- Neck Rd Medical emergency
- Hartlev Rd Medical emergency
- Dexter Ln Fraud
- Dexter Ln Well being check
- Dexter Ln Assist citizen
- Marvs Pond Rd MV fire
- Marys Pond Rd Suspicious MV
- New Bedford Rd Erratic operation
- Ryder Rd 911 call
- Hathaway Pond Cir Medical Neck Rd MV accident Mendell Rd Animal control

- Dexter Ln Assist citizen
- County Rd MV stop/arrest
- Cushman Rd MV stop/warning
- Braley Hill Rd Medical emergency
- Paulines Way Outside fire Snipatuit Rd MV stop/warning
- Cushman Rd Animal control

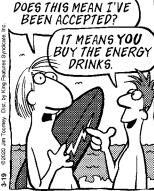
For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

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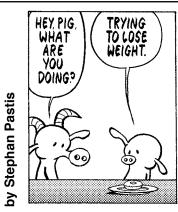


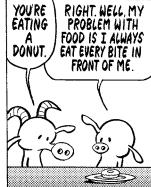






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for the next two weeks. After much discussion, Church leadership determined that the best course of action, at this time of great stress and anxiety surrounding the coronavirus, was to suspend activities. This includes worship services on Sunday, March 15 and Sunday, March 22, fellowship activities including Open Table, and classes including the Lenten series on Sunday and Monday evenings, as well as all the organizations that utilize the building.

Jackson said, "This was not an easy decision. As people of faith, coming together is important for our spiritual health, as well as our mental and emotional health, especially in times of crisis. Our plan was to continue as many activities as possible. However, it has become abundantly clear that the safest, most prudent course of action is simply to comply with the recommendations of health experts."

Reverend Harken joined him in expressing regret and concern for everyone affected by the health crisis and encouraged others to "stay connected with each other via telephone, e-mail, and social media. We are eager to be back to a normal schedule as soon as possible. In the coming days, we will make whatever adjustments are necessary to bring peace of mind about worshipping and meeting at the Church."

Should there be questions or concerns you would like to express, please contact the Church by telephone (508-758-2671) and someone will return your call as



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#### **Marion Natural History Museum**



or two? On March 11, the History Museum afterschool the physics design. Mark Whalen, engineer with Maritime Academy, introduced several alternative design ideas for constructing

our own sailboats. The students explored a variety of hull designs, mast locations and different sizes and shapes of sails. Then they raced the vessels in rain gutters to

One hull Marion Natural group explored behind sailboat Massachusetts

see which design moved fastest. The museum thanked Whalen for another wonderful program and the volunteers from Tabor Academy and Old Rochester Regional High School for their help with construction activities. Photos courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold



**Rochester Council on Aging** 

Effective Friday, March 13 through Wednesday, April 1, group activities and meals at the Rochester Senior Center will be canceled for the public due to the elevated risk of severe infections in people over the age of 60 from COVID-19. For the safety of all our participants at the Center, we are suspending all group programs and meals.

The Council on Aging staff will be available during regular hours for services, questions, individual consultations, equipment loans, and transportation services for healthy individuals.

Please call the Center at 508-763-8723 with any questions, concerns or needs that you may have.

#### FCCR Cancels Events But Keeps Spiritual **Doors Open**

After prayerful consideration and in compliance with government directives, First Congregational Church of Rochester, 11 Constitution Way in Rochester, has closed its church buildings in an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19. All services and activities held at FCCR -including the Easter Community Carnival scheduled for Saturday, March 28 - have been canceled or postponed until further notice.

Our physical doors may be closed, but our spiritual doors remain open to everyone during this ongoing health crisis. We recognize that these are very challenging and unprecedented times, and our desire is to bring support and hope to those in the Tri-Town and surrounding area. Check out our public Facebook page (www.facebook.com/ FirstCongregationalChurchofRochester) for uplifting and encouraging posts and to watch our new pastor, Colby Olson, livestream Biblical and relevant messages at 10:00 am each Sunday. In need of prayer? Prayer requests will be accepted by calling the church office at 508-763-4314 or emailing rochestercongregational@comcast.net.



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#### **Tri-Town Basketball Playoffs**

The Tri-Town Basketball Playoffs on Thursday, March 12 was the final night for Tri-Town basketball. The league had over 190 participants in grades 3 through 6 from Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester.

The first game of the evening was the girls grade 3-6 finals. Team Sparks coached by Sarabeth Morrell played the Mystics coached by Tim Harkins. It was a very close game through the third quarter when Team Sparks pulled ahead 12-9. In the fourth quarter, the Mystics came out strong and brought the score to 11-12 in the first two minutes of the quarter. A Mystics foul shot tied the game with 2:46 remaining. The Sparks scored with 2:29 left to go, up 14-12 then a foul shot brought the final score to 15-12. The high scorer for team Sparks was **Alivia Miranda** with 8 points.

The boys grade 3 and 4 final had the Raptors coached by Evan Dube and Chris Wadsworth playing the Heat, coached by David Arancio and Sarah Thomas. The Raptors came out strong and went up 4-0 in the first three minutes. The Heat then rallied to go up 7-4 by the end of the quarter. The second quarter had the Raptors hit three shots and two free throws to go up 12-9 to end the half. The Heat came out strong to go up 13-12. Both teams had a strong quarter to end the third, tied 19-19. Both teams played a hard, defensive battle in the fourth quarter but

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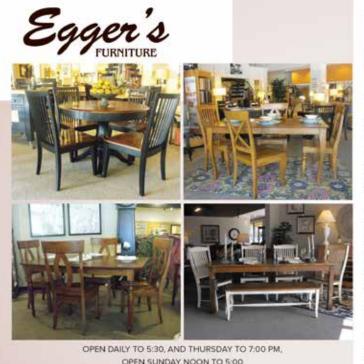
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### **OBITUARIES**



**Richard W. Taylor, Jr.** 60 of New Bedford died March 7, 2020 after a brief illness at home.

Born in New Bedford, son of the late Richard W. and Janice T. (Santos) Taylor, he was raised in Mattapoisett and lived in New Bedford most of his life.

Richard was formerly employed by Joseph Abboud Clothing for many years working alongside a wonderful team.

He was committed to both his faith and his country, having served in the U.S Navy.

Richard was known for his quick wit and kind spirit.

Survivors include his siblings, Florence Andrews of North Berwick, ME, Jo-Ann Taylor of West Tisbury, Elizabeth Taylor of New Bedford, Andrew Taylor, Sr. and his wife Paula and Kirsten Taylor and her partner Robert Gingras, all of Mattapoisett and Jonathan Taylor of Norfolk; several nieces and nephews.

His Funeral Service was held on Saturday, March 14th in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Rt. 6, Mattapoisett. Burial followed in Chiltonville Cemetery in Plymouth. Visiting hours were held on Friday March 13th.



Harlyn D. "Butch" Froh, 64, of Rochester passed away Monday, March 9, 2020, after a brief illness. He was the husband of Kimberly (White) Froh. They had been married over 40 years.

Born in Newport, RI, he was the son of the late Harlyn H. Froh and Lucille B. (Mayer) Froh. He was raised in Acushnet and lived in Rochester for 34 years.

Butch was employed as a master mechanic for D.W. White Construction

Company for 42 years. He also did many other kinds of work as he was a jack-of-all trades.

He enjoyed riding and racing dirt bikes and was well known for his long "wheelies" in his younger years. He attended Church in the Pines. He enjoyed shooting guns, building cars, using his creative skills, and spending time with his family and friends. He was especially grateful for every moment he got to spend with his grandson, Logan. He loved to travel and be in the warm weather, but what he loved most was his beautiful wife, Kim, who he adored until the day he died. It's not "til death do us part" but "until we meet again."

He is survived by his wife, Kim; his children, Melissa Douglas and her husband, Craig, and Gregory Froh; two brothers, David Froh and his wife, June and Mark Froh and his wife, Karol; his grandson, Logan Douglas; his aunts, Theresa Saulnier and Germaine Bourque and uncle, Maurice Bourque and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was the father of the late Jeremiah "Jay" Froh, and brother of the late Michael Froh.

His Funeral Service was held on Saturday March 14, 2020 at the First Congregational Church of Rochester. Burial followed in White Cemetery, East Freetown. Visiting hours were held on Friday March 13, 2020 at the Saunders-Dwyer Home for Funerals, 495 Park St., New Bedford. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



**Katharine "Kitty" Hill Stanton**, 91, died of natural causes on February 11. Born June 22, 1928 to Lucius and Helen Hill, she grew up in Brookline, MA.

Kitty thrived in her youth as a scholar/athlete at the Windsor School, Miss Porters School, and Vassar College. Summers, she blasted tennis balls at the Longwood Cricket Club in Brookline, MA. Her strong legs and tenacity carried her to #3 in

New England in the 15 & Under Division. In the same year, she triumphed in The Western 18 & Under Girls Singles Championship, a sanctioned national event. Winters, she carved and spun her way through many New England junior figure skating championships, representing the Boston Skating Club.

As a young mother of three, she represented New England in the US National Doubles several times, battling the best players in the world. She also rose to the #5 ranking in New England Women's Singles, and passed her love of the game to her three children. Both of her sons became career teaching professionals.

She married John K. Stanton in 1950 and they settled in Marion, MA, where she was elected to the Planning Board, and volunteered on the Republican Committee and the NE Junior Tennis Ranking Committee. She also served as president of the Sippican Tennis Club and the PTA, headed the local Girl Scouts, and sat on the board of the NE Home for Little Wanderers orphanage, where she directed the annual Christmas toy drive

In the 1980s, Kitty moved to Brookline to work at The Country Club tennis shop and later to Lexington, where she volunteered at the Lahey Clinic. She was a proud member of Alcoholics Anonymous and mentored several younger women as their sponsor. She spent her final days battling dementia with extraordinary grace and humor at Care One in Wilmington, MA.

Kitty was preceded in death by her granddaughter, Kristy LeMond, and will be remembered with love by her brother Lucius Hill; her children, Seabury Stanton (Val), Jack Stanton (Pam), and Kathy LeMond (Barry); her 3 grandchildren, Leanna Stanton, Luke Stanton (Mandy) and Kevin LeMond; and 1 great grandson, Oliver Stanton.

She had a credo that she tried to instill in her children. "Always consider the pain behind the poor behavior of others."

A memorial service will be held at St. Gabriel's Church in Marion, MA, June 27, 2020 at 12 pm. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory can be donated to a charity of one's choice.

## **OBITUARIES**



Annie M. (Pugliese) Bucchere, 62 of Rochester died March 11, 2020 suddenly after living a life fulfilled with joy and loving family.

She was the wife of Victor S. Bucchere, her loving husband of 41 years. Born in Brooklyn, NY, she was daughter of the late Joseph F. and Fran

(Pacini) Pugliese. She lived in Rochester.

Annie loved bringing family and friends together and traveling with her husband. She took great joy from spending time with her four grandsons who were often at her side. She was an avid reader, deeply curious about world religions and spirituality. Annie felt that it was important to find joy in everything she did and to help others keep an optimistic perspective on our beautiful world

Survivors include her husband; 2 sons, Anthony J. Bucchere and his wife Kathryn of Scituate and Thomas L. Bucchere and his wife Shawna of Plympton; a brother, Richard A. Pugliese and his spouse Antoinette Filocomo of Brooklyn; a brother-in-law, John J. Bucchere and his wife Nina of San Diego; 4 grandchildren, Jack, Henry, Charlie and Ben; and several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held in early spring, more details to come.

Arrangements are with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. For online guestbook, visitwww.saundersdwyer.com.



Margaret "Peggs" Edwards Francis, 92, of Marion, MA, passed away peacefully in her own home, surrounded by family, on March 6, 2020.

She was born on July 29, 1927 in Douglaston, NY to Charles Edwards Jr. and Margaret (Mills) Edwards. She attended Manhasset High School and graduated from Wheelock College (Class of 1949) with a degree in Childhood Education which

remained a passion throughout her life.

The treasured matriarch of an extended family, she is survived by her four daughters, Susan Putnam (and husband Fred) of Boston, Tappan Titherington of Marion, Tina Stone of Westport, and Maggie Cook (and husband Don) of Plymouth, as well as eight grandchildren (Todd, Maggie, Seth, Laura, Tim, Hadley, Joshua and Katrina), many nieces and nephews, and George Moffat, her partner of more than 20 years.

Peggs was a first-rate skipper and a contributing member of the Beverly Yacht Club for 70 years. She hosted innumerable visiting Regatta sailors, shepherded her daughters through racing programs, volunteered on many committees, and in 2006, with her partner George Moffat, won the Herroshoff Nationals in their shared H-12, Swan Song.

A woman of character, she championed the causes she was passionate about. As a pioneer in education, a dedicated com-

munity volunteer, and a humanitarian, her life was devoted to advocating for others by building platforms for those in need. She enjoyed nature, gardening, cooking, entertaining, and to be surrounded by family and friends.

Peggs was a firm believer in the slogan, "If you want it done right, do it yourself." She was Chairman of the Marion School Committee, spear-headed the first K-12 alternative educational program in Massachusetts (Bent Twig School), served as Treasurer of the Sippican School Building Committee, and was President of the local Visiting Nurse Association pioneering the first "Well Child Clinic" in Massachusetts which provided vaccinations as well as free newborn and child visits. She led the Girl Scouts of Southeastern Massachusetts, was Secretary of the Sippican Tennis Club, and Chairman of the BYC house committee. Peggs was a planner and an organizer, known for promoting the visionary ideas she believed in and for supporting others whose efforts she applauded.

Later in life, Peggs recreated herself as a travel agent, personalizing exotic trips for her clients. A dedicated board member of the Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA), she was designated "grande dame" of the group on many international adventures.

Peggs loved sharing stories of adventures and showcasing her expansive collection of elephant artwork acquired in her travels. As a grandmother, she chose to be called, "Jum", in honor of the Indian Jumbo Elephant she admired. Her Converse Point home of 65 years was command central for holiday gatherings. A dining table effortlessly set for twenty, colorful linen tablecloths, arrangements of wildflowers picked from the back yard, seating according to homemade place cards, meals one might expect on the QE II, and endless laughter.

The family wishes to express sincere gratitude to the caretakers from Care With Love Inc. of New Bedford and to the Community Nurse Home Care Hospice Team of Fairhaven for their unified professionalism and compassion working as a team caring for our "Jum".

A Celebration of Life for family and friends will be held at the Beverly Yacht Club (BYC) in Marion, MA on June 6, 2020 at 2:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers please consider donations to Community Nurse Home Care of Fairhaven or to the "Peggs Francis Young Skipper Scholarship", which will pave the way each summer for a non-member to learn to sail in the BYC Junior Sailing Program. Community Nurse Home Care, (list Peggs Francis in memo), 62 Center St., Fairhaven, MA 02719 (donate@communitynurse.com) or Peggs Francis Young Skipper Scholarship, checks to: Beverly Yacht Club, P.O. Box 181, Marion, MA 02738.

Arrangements are by the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., Wareham, MA. For directions and online guestbook, visit: www.ccgfuneralhome.com.

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#### SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Disappointed about something that didn't go your way? Cheer up. Look at the reasons it happened, and you could find a valuable lesson about what to do (or not do!) the next time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time to do some reassessing of plans and goals -- even how you considered redoing your bathroom. The point is to be open to change if change can improve things.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Take some time to learn who is the right person (or persons) to approach and discuss your ideas with for your new project. Also, reserve time to prepare for an upcoming family event.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Dealing with a demanding situation, as you recently did, could drain much of your own emotional reserves. Take time to relax and indulge yourself in some well-earned pampering.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The regal Lion might feel that she or he is above emotional displays. But showing your feelings can be both liberating for you and reassuring for someone who has been waiting for you to do

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An emo-

tionally needy person might make more demands than you can cope with. Best to ask for some breathing space NOW, before resentment sets in and makes communication difficult. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An unexpected spate of mixed signals could cause serious schedule setbacks. Best to focus on straightening everything out as soon as possible and get everyone back on track. SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be aware that someone in the workplace could try to use a disagreement with a colleague against you. If so, be prepared to offer your side of the story with the facts to back you up. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unexpected challenge to a previous de-

SAGITIARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unexpected challenge to a previous decision can be unsettling. But your reservoir of self-confidence -- plus your loyal supporters -- should help carry the day for you. Good luck. CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While the idea of making some sort of major move in the near future continues to interest you, don't overlook a new possibility that could be emerging closer to home.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Be careful not to base an upcoming decision on gossip or anything you might hear if it can't meet provable standards. That's true regardless of whom the source might be.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might still need to do some solid reassessing early in the week before you can close that sensitive situation. A new job-related opportunity could present itself later in the week.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are extraordinarily sensitive to people's feelings, and you're always ready to offer comfort if necessary. (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

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the Raptors pulled ahead to win 24-22. High scorer for the Raptors was **Nathan Dubuc** with 12 points. Heat high scorer was **Andrew Hebert** with 10 points.

The boys grade 5 and 6 final had the Warriors coached by Jen Porter and Lindsay Harding playing the Bulls coached by Peter Brzezinski and Jill Paquette. The Warriors took an early four-point lead, but the Bulls came back to finish the quarter tied 4-4. The second quarter was a back and forth battle to end, with the Warriors up 9-8. After the half, both teams played hard and the score at the end of the third was tied 13-13. The Warriors scored early in the fourth quarter to go up 15-13 but the Bulls answered with two baskets and a foul shot to go up 18-15 with about three minutes left. The Bulls then went on a run to win 26-16. **Brock Winslow** was the high scorer for the Bulls with 10 points. **Bennett Goodwin** was the top scorer for the Warriors with eight points.

All three games were close right up until the final minutes. It was an exciting night for all. A huge thank you to all of our coaches for volunteering their time!

#### 27th Annual Buzzards Bay Swim

Spring is finally here, and summer is on the horizon – which means now is the perfect time to sign up to swim for clean water at the 27th annual Buzzards Bay Swim on Saturday, **June 27**. Register now at www. savebuzzardsbay.org/swim to secure your spot in this popular event.

The Buzzards Bay Swim is an exciting 1.2-mile open water point-to-point swim across outer New Bedford Harbor, with 400 swimmers and 100 kayakers participating each year. The event welcomes swimmers of all abilities and fitness levels ages 11 and up.

Lowry Heussler, who participated in the swim for the first time last year, is looking forward to returning to New Bedford in June. "I did nine open water swims last year, and the Buzzards Bay Swim was the best," she said. "If you can swim at a steady pace for an hour, you're not going to have any trouble with the Buzzards Bay Swim."

Teams from across Buzzards Bay and beyond have already registered, including the "Chapoquoit Swimmers," "Mischievous Mermaids," "UR Solshine"



and "New Bedford Hurricanes" youth swim teams, among others.

First-time and beginner swimmers can have a personal kayak or paddleboard safety escort, as well as choose to use swim aids such as fins or snorkels. To support new swimmers in going "from couch to Swim" by June 27, YMCA Southcoast is offering adult swim lessons and discounted three-month memberships with no joiner's fee for registered swimmers.

All swimmers receive a swim cap, event t-shirt, water bottle and a bronze finisher's medal featuring the iconic Butler Flats Lighthouse. The finish line beach party celebration includes a hot breakfast, gourmet coffee, free massages for swimmers and a Buzzards Bay Brewing craft beer tent.

Funds raised through the Swim support the Buzzard Bay Coalition's work to protect clean water in communities across the Buzzards Bay region, from Little Compton to Vineyard Sound. Top fundraisers and finishers receive special prizes and recognition during an awards ceremony on the beach.

Make a difference for clean water in your community this summer. Register now for the Buzzards Bay Swim at www.savebuzzardsbay.org/swim

The Swim is sponsored by BETA, Fiber Optic Center and YMCA Southcoast. If your business would like to sponsor the Swim, contact events@savebuzzardsbay. org.





#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Board of Selectmen, acting as local licensing authority, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 7:15 pm. in the Conference Room of the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, on the application of FIELDSTONE FARM MARKET for a retail package goods license for the sale of wine and malt beverages.

Randy L. Parker, Chairman 3/12, 3/19

TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #776

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, March 26, 2020, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH, INC. and ALBERT J. MENINNO and JULIE A. MENINNO for a Variance from section 230-5.1 of the zoning by-law to allow the division of the lot consistent with the historical lot line as depicted on a plan endorsed by the Planning Board on May 4, 1956, allowing the current owners to gift the "parking lot" parcel to the church.

The property, located at 36 Main Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 90.

Marc Leblanc, Chairman 3/12, 3/19

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

PROJECT: The Village at Plumb Corner LOCATION: 0 Rounseville Road, Rochester MA (Assessor's Map 30, Lots 24, 25b, 25c) PROPONENT: RePurpose Properties, LLC

The undersigned is submitting an Environmental Notification Form ("ENF") to the Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs on or before: March 15, 2020.

This will initiate review of the above project pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act ("MEPA", M.G.L. c. 30, s.s. 61-62I). Copies of the ENF may be obtained from:

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Copies of the ENF are also being sent to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board of Rochester, MA, where they may be inspected.

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Environmental Affairs will publish notice of the ENF in the Environmental Monitor, will receive public comments on the project for 20 days, and will then decide, within ten days, if an environmental Impact Report is needed. A site visit and consultation session on the project may also be scheduled. All persons wishing to comment on the project, or to be notified of a site visit or consultation session, should write to the Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 900, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, Attention: MEPA Office, referencing the above project.

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TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 40A Section 5 on Monday April 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Mattapoisett Town Hall located at 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett MA on the following proposed amendment to the Mattapoisett Zoning Bylaw:

Amendment of Article 8, Regulation of Flood Hazard Areas, Section 8.2.1, as set forth below, with text to be inserted shown in bold and text to be deleted shown in strikethrough to correct errors in the section and to update the panel dates and suffixes. "The Floodplain District is herein established as an Overlay District. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within the Town of Mattapoisett designated as Zone A, AE, or VE on the Plymouth County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The map panels of the Plymouth County FIRM that are wholly or partially within the Town of Mattapoisett are panel numbers 25023C0553HK, 25023C0554 JK, 25023C0558JK, 25023C0561JK, 25023C0562JK with an Effective Date of July 22. 2020, 25023C0563J with an Effective Date of July 17, 2012, 25023C0564J, 25023C0566JK, 25023C0567JL with an Effective Date of July 22, 2020, 25023C0569J, 25023C0627J, and 25023C0650J with an Effective Date of July 17, 2012, and panel numbers 25023C0564K-25023C0567K and 25023C0568K with an Effective date of February 5, 2014. The exact boundaries of the District may be defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM Maps and further defined by the Plymouth County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) Report with

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an Effective Date of July <del>17, 2012</del> 22, 2020. The FIRM and FIS Report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Official, Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen's Office.

The amendment is on file with the Town Clerk's Office, Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and at the Planning Board Office, the Board of Selectmen's Office and may be viewed at www.mattapoisett.net. Point of Contact:

Mary Crain

(508) 758-4100 ext. 215

Thomas M. Tucker, Chairman 3/19, 3/26

TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

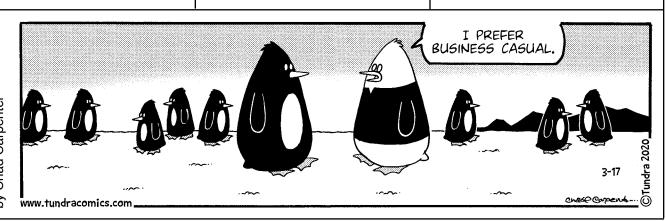
Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Large Scale Photovoltaic Installation Special Permit Application, Special Permit Application for Groundwater Protection, and Application for Scenic Highway filed by Braley Hill North Solar, LLC, Beals and Thomas, Inc., 144 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772 for property located at 0 Braley Hill Road, designated at Map 48, Lots 32 and 36

The applicant proposes the construction of a of a  $\pm 9.5$  MW DC Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Array within the Residential/ Agricultural District. An Application for Work on a Scenic Highway is being submitted concurrent with this Special Permit for the installation of the access drive off Braley Hill Road. The Property is also within the Mattapoisett River Valley Watershed and partially within the Groundwater Protection District and the Floodplain Overlay District.

The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Planning Board Office at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 3/19, 3/26

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Marion (Old Rochester) is one of the oldest towns in the United States, and the Sippican Historical Society maintains an extensive collection of documentation on its historic buildings. In 1998, the Sippican Historical Society commissioned an architectural survey of Marion's historic homes and buildings. Over 100 were cataloged and photographed. SHS will feature one building a week so that the residents of Marion can understand more about its unique historical architecture.



This installment features 73
Pleasant Street.
The home at 73
Pleasant Street was built in 1790 for a member of the Handy family. From the late 18th century to the early 1900s, Pleasant

Street north of Pitcher Street was essentially a Handy neighborhood with a number of dwellings in this area associated with this family. In the mid-19th century, carpenter Pardon Handy owned this cottage. By the late 1870s, James W. Blankinship, a mariner, lived here. He enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil





War. By the early 1900s, this house had been inherited by Blankinship's widow, Sussannah. Later, Lucy A. Blankinship, a clerk, lived here.

#### Sippican Woman's Club Call for Artists

If the Wind Will Not Serve, Take to the Oars! Creative donations to Benefit Sippican Woman's Club Scholarship Fund

Let your imagination soar! Paint, carve, embellish, create art using an oar or paddle. This inaugural fundraising event of the Sippican Woman's Club takes place this summer in July and August.

Each unique piece will be publicly displayed for a silent auction in Marion Village.



## TRITOWN HAPPENINGS



March 12 was the final night for the Tri-Town Basketball playoffs. The league had over 190 participants in grades 3-6 representing Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester. The boys grade 5-6 champions were the Bulls, and the boys grade 3-4 champions were the Raptors. Heat coach David Arancio talks to his team. The girls champions were the Sparks. Photos courtesy Gerta Fox







On March 10, the Massachusetts Restaurant Association held its 13th annual ProStart Invitational, an all-dayevent competition at Gillette Stadium in Foxborough. Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School finished in first place for the Culinary Competition. Those students will go on to represent the state of Massachusetts at the 2020 National ProStart Student Invitational on May 8-10 in Washington, DC. From left: Old Colony students Justin MacKay, Victoria Hannon, Lauryn Macomber, Meghan Spangler, and Emily Larkin. Submitted photo



These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

Can you imagine this lovely, nautical community without oars and paddles? And imagine the opportunities for Marion students when educational scholarships support great ambitions? The Oars and Paddles Project combines both needs in a fun and adventurous event that will increase the scholarships SWC will award in 2021. Please join us!

For months, members, families, and friends have been collecting old and new oars and paddles. One will be furnished to each artist as long as the supply lasts. Each unique piece will be auctioned online, and at the final reception, to the highest bidder. Oar and paddle art can



be whimsical or elegant, functional or strictly decorative the only requirement: your imagination and originality. Please help! We believe in expressing recognition

each of our

supporters. The oars and paddles will be exhibited in a variety of village venues from July 5 through August 7, and will be spotlighted in local media. The online silent auction process will end on August 7. There will also be a chance to bid at the Reception held at Washburn Park on August 19. This winner may take possession of their treasure at our Reception at Washburn Park Lawn Party on August 19.

Oar or paddle submissions are due by June 22 (to provide ample time for display). Entry forms are available online at info@sippicanwomansclub.org or, by calling Sue Mattson (508-748-1145) to get both the entry form and an oar or paddle.





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check out our website for more info!

Thank you everyone for your continued love and support. For the safety of our customers and staff, we will unfortunately be closed until the ban is lifted. We look forward to having everyone back healthy, happy and ready to enjoy being together again.

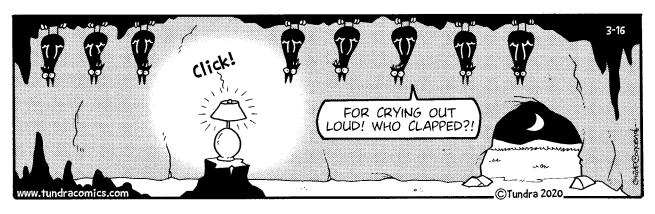
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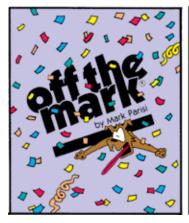






**Tundra** by Chad Carpenter











### **Amber Waves**









by Dave T. Phipps

While you are immersed in creativity, SWC members continue to develop programming to benefit our community and are well underway planning the 2020 Annual Holiday House Tour – the traditional mainstay for scholarship funds.

#### 'It's All About the Animals' Donations

During these uncertain times, shelter animals still need to be looked after and fed. As the weather starts getting warmer, cats who have not been spayed or neutered will start having kittens, often outside. That's where our shelter comes in. It's All About the Animals, Inc., is a cage-free, no-kill nonprofit cat shelter which relies on volunteers and donations to help feed and look after our kittens, their moms if we have them, and our resident cats. We encourage people to go to our web site www.itsallabouttheanimals.org or to our Facebook page www.facebook.com/Itsallabouttheanimalsinc to make a Paypal or Credit card donation. Donations are crucial to help us with veterinary bills, medical and cleaning supplies, as well as overall care. Cat and kitten food is also appreciated and people can find out what our Shelter needs, by visiting our AmazonSmile program, also accessible through our website. Checks can be mailed directly to our shelter at 103 Marion Road, Rochester MA 02770. Our Shelter will be closed to visitors for the foreseeable future due to the COVID-19 situation. We will continue to update that information, online, in the next few weeks. In the meantime, you can contact our Shelter by emailing ohnokitty1@gmail.com.

Our shelter operates solely on your generous donations. Please consider helping our cause. 100 percent of your donation will provide food, supplies, and medical care. We don't have any paid employees - only volunteers. We give abused and abandoned animals the opportunity to receive the love, care, and shelter they need until they find homes. Our cats have space to run, play, and explore safe enclosed outdoor areas. When available for adoption, our cats have been spayed/neutered and will have received all vaccines for distemper and rabies. Each cat is given a microchip and registered with a professionally managed database.



#### 2020 Tour de Crème Canceled

Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Friends of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail are disappointed to announce the cancelation of the fifth annual Tour de Crème scheduled for Sunday, May 17. The emergency measures instituted by state and local government in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic require that we not hold the event this year. We hope to be back in 2021.

In the meantime, both MLT and the Friends remind everyone that outdoor exercise in the fresh air is a safe and effective way to stay physically and mentally healthy while we weather COVID-19. Get outside and enjoy the spring weather by walking, biking or hiking. Maps for Tour de Crème bike rides can be downloaded from www.tourdecreme.org, and trail maps for MLT preserves are found at www.mattlandtust.org. Please contact MLT at info@mattlandtrust.org or 774-377-9191 for more information.

#### **American Legion: Florence Eastman Post**

All SouthCoast Active Service Military, Reservists and Veterans are invited to join the monthly meeting of the American Legion: Florence Eastman Post #280, Serving the Tri-Town area and Beyond. We meet on the third Wednesday of every month at 1900 (7:00 pm). Florence Eastman Post located at 3 Depot St, Mattapoisett. Commander: Rachel Perron and Adjutant: Barry Denham. For more information contact Moe Molander at

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#### **Rochester Rabies Clinic**

The Rabies Clinic scheduled for April 5 in Rochester has been cancelled. Contact Anne Estabrook, ACO at 508-649-9813 with any questions.

#### **Marion Town Party Returns**

The Marion Town Party Committee is pleased to announce that the event will return this summer. The Committee has decided to be proactive and plan the party earlier in the day to avoid having to cancel like last year. The party will be at a new venue this year and will have a new start time as well.

Join us at Silvershell Beach beginning at 2:00 pm until dusk on Saturday, August 22.

To kick off the party we will have a "Touch a Truck" event that will be held from 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm on the field at Silvershell Beach. Fire, Police, Harbormaster and other vehicles will be on hand. Scheduled activities include rock wall climbing, inflatable games, moonwalk, music, and face painting. Food and drinks will be available for purchase beginning at 2:00 pm.

Once again, organizers are seeking corporate sponsors. This is a great opportunity for local businesses to get the word out and advertise their businesses. More details about the sponsorship levels will be available soon.

Donations from the community are needed to help underwrite the event. Food, services, cash or any other in-kind donation would be greatly appreciated. All contributions are tax-deductible.

To stay up to date with all event details please "Like" our Facebook page – Marion Town Party.

Marion Firefighters Association will partner with the Marion Harbormaster Department. All proceeds are for the local community and departmental needs.

For more information or to donate please contact Donna Hemphill at 508-748-3515, or email mariontownparty@gmail.com or you may send a check (made out to Town of Marion) to the Marion Town House, c/o Marion Town Party, 2 Spring Street, Marion, Massachusetts, 02738.

#### Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair

The Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association, 40 Center

Street Fairhaven, will be held on Saturday, June 27 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

There will be more than 175 booths featuring artists and craftsmen from all over New England. There will be an art exhibit, food, kids' games, fire engine rides, music and live entertainment for the entire family. Free admission. Handicap parking is available. Booth spaces and art exhibit spaces are available.

For information please email fairhavenhomecoming@gmail.com or visit: www. fairhavenimprovement.org and www.facebook.com/ FairhavenImprovementAssociation

#### Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarship

Mattapoisett Woman's Club is pleased to offer three \$2,500 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors, graduating June 2020.

In addition, there will be a \$1,000 scholarship granted to a Mattapoisett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of a post secondary degree. Please go to the website (listed below) for further information and / or to obtain the application for this scholarship.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fundraising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and helps to support the community whom has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

For high school seniors, the scholarship application will be available in the Guidance offices of Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Vocational Technical High School, Tabor Academy, Bristol County Agricultural and online at www.mattapoisettwomansclub.org for those not attending the above schools.

Final deadline for returning completed applications is March 31, 2020. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions you may contact the Mattapoisett Woman's Club at P.O. Box 1444,



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#### Women's Instructional Shooting Clinic

The Fin, Fur, and Feather Club of Mattapoisett will host a full day Women's Instructional Shooting Clinic on **May 16**. This is an instructional shooting clinic designed to introduce women to the number one participatory sport in the country, namely, the shooting sports.

The day's schedule includes a morning session with instruction on gun safety and the Massachusetts Gun Laws. Lunch will be provided. In the afternoon, participants will be divided into small groups and assigned to four areas including archery, trap shooting, pistol range, and rifle range. Club member volunteers will serve as instructors in these areas. Each student receives one to one instruction. The course fee is \$100.

At the end of the day, students receive their certificates of course completion. This certificate is required when applying for licenses. The class size will be limited and tends to fill quickly. Apply early to ensure a spot. Applications are available by contacting Mary Ellen at 508-742-7680.

#### 2020 Lamoureux Music Scholarship

The New Bedford Symphony Orchestra is pleased to announce that applications are now available for the 2020 Lillian B. Lamoureux Music Scholarship.

The scholarship competition is open to all SouthCoast music students ages 14 to 21. Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded, one high school student and one college student. The deadline for application (including two letters of recommendation) is Wednesday, **April 22**. Finalists will be invited to audition before the scholarship committee on Saturday, May 2, at UMass Dartmouth College of Visual and Performing Arts.

The scholarship, established in 2000 to support young musicians who intend to pursue their music education, continues to recognize the legacy of former President Emerita and longtime NBSO board president Lillian B. Lamoureux.

To download the scholarship application form, visit www.nbsymphony.org/scholarships.

The NBSO is a professional orchestra that annually presents a concert series of classical and pops music with internationally acclaimed guest artists, as well as an outstanding chamber music series. In addition, the NBSO's innovative and nationally recognized educational programs reach 8,000 students each year. The NBSO is dedicated to building a community of music in the SouthCoast. Visit www.nbsymphony.org today!

#### **Destruction of Student Records**

Please be advised that in accordance with state regulations, the Old Rochester Regional High School will be destroying the temporary records of students who



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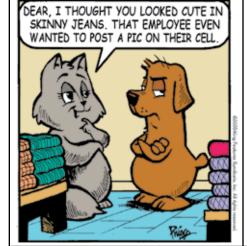
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Town of Mattapoisett
Harbormaster Department
16 Main Street
Mattapoisett, MA 02739
or email: Harbormaster@mattapoisett.net

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All applicants must be 18 years of age and possess the following:

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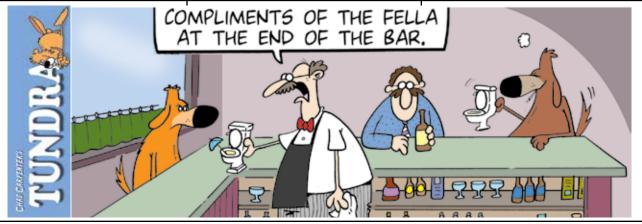
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Don't forget to wish these people a Happy Birthday!

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Emily Newell	March 19
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Josh Fardy	March 20
Marina Stephens	March 20
Nova Lee Delano	March 20
Ryan Foster	March 20
Tim Smith	March 20
Amy Rezendes	March 21
Braly Hiller	March 21
David R. Langhoff	March 21
Mario Luzza	March 21
Meghan Day	March 21
Rocky Fleurent	March 21
Ron Ellis	March 21
James Dexter Jr.	March 22
Jill Eklund	March 22
Tony Alexander	March 22
Charlie Leahy	March 23
Donna Pease (Mimi)	March 23
Maverick Leahy	March 23
Michael A Days	March 23
Tara LeBlanc	March 23
Catherine Day	March 24
Nolan Blanchette	March 24
Denise Mello	March 25
Judi Gibbs	March 25

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at www.wanderer.com. To submit information by regular mail, please send the person's name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.



have graduated or transferred from ORRHS in 2012 and 2013. Temporary records include testing reports, report cards, and other materials on file. These records may be picked up by the student before disposal, by calling 508-758-3745 ext. 1424 from now until the end of June 2020. The school will begin destroying temporary records on or after July 1, 2020.

Please note that the permanent record (student's transcript), shall be maintained by the school department for 60 years following graduation, transfer or withdrawal from the school system.

#### Old Rochester Youth Baseball

Registration is now open for Old Rochester Youth Baseball for the 2020 Season. To register your player, please visit our website: oldrochesteryouthbaseball. org. Players from Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester, between the ages of 4-12 are eligible to sign-up. Our focus is to encourage participation, develop character and discipline, promote teamwork, and advocate citizenship and community pride.

Opening day will be **May 2** at Gifford Fields, Rochester. If you have any questions, please contact the league via our website or Facebook: Old Rochester Youth Baseball.

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#### **Classified Rates:**

Classified Advertisements are \$5.00 for 3 lines or less per week. Each additional line is \$1.00 per week. There are an average of six words per line.

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TRANSLATION:



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#### **Marion Election and Voter Information**

Nomination papers are available in the Town Clerk's office for the May 15, 2020 Annual Town Election. There are several positions available and we encourage you to get involved! The nomination papers must be signed by at least 20 voters registered in Marion (which will be certified by the Registrars) and must be turned in by 5:00 pm on Monday, **March 23**. For more information, please call Lissa Magauran in the Town Clerk's office at 508-748-3502 or email her at lmagauran@marionma.gov.

You can register to vote online here: www.sec. state.ma.us/ovr/. For copies of the aforementioned forms, email lmagauran@marionma.gov or call the Town Clerk's office at 508-748-3502.

#### Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging

The friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging a non-profit, non-governmental group, has been aiding COA programs and supplementing the needs of senior citizens in the community for many years. During that time, the FOTMCOA has purchased furnishings, appliances, and televisions that the COA has used in its social rooms for the benefit of senior frequenting the COA.

The group also sponsors the monthly COA newsletter "Seasonings," as well as hosting various special event luncheons throughout the year giving seniors the opportunity to meet up with other seniors for a bit of fun and food, social and emotional support enriching the lives of Mattapoisett 's senior population.

The fundraising work of the FOTMCOA supports COA programs, education, and other needs for which public funds are either not available or need supplementing.

Due to a decrease in membership, new members are now urgently needed to carry on the mission of the FOTMCOA.

Can you help? If you can share an hour once a month to attend the FOTMCOA meeting or wish to assist in any way possible, please contact Anne Bartnowski at 508 758 4603 or email at annebartnowski1@gmail.com.

#### Rochester Women's Club Scholarships

The Rochester Women's Club is proud to announce this year that we have three scholarships available to graduating Rochester high school seniors who are going on to college. There are two Raymond Hartley scholarships for \$1,000 and one "Snookie" nursing scholarship also for \$1,000. The Raymond Hartley is open



to all students furthering their education. The "Snookie" is only for students who are going into the field of nursing. Seniors should visit their guidance office for the applications and please take note of all deadlines. These scholarships are available to all Rochester graduating seniors from any local high school. If more information is needed call Marsha at 508-322-0998.

#### Blanche B. Perry Scholarship

The Mattapoisett Land Trust is seeking applicants for their \$1,000 "Blanche B. Perry Scholarship". This award is available to a Mattapoisett resident interested in the field of Environmental Studies, Sciences, Technology or a related field, and is a graduating senior from a secondary school by June 2020. The scholarship is made available through the Edith Glick Shoolman fund, a bequest left to provide support for children in the community. Offering this scholarship is consistent with the MLT's mission to "preserve land in order to enrich the quality of life for present and future generations of Mattapoisett residents and visitors."

Along with the application, the following additional information is required:

- 1. A personal statement about career goals as they relate to the mission of the MLT, past and present.
- 2. A signed community service form documenting a minimum of 20 hours of community service.
  - 3. A professional letter of reference (teacher or



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guidance counselor)

- 4. A character letter of reference from an employer, scout or community leader and or neighbor is required.
- 5. An official school transcript including credits and class rank.

Applicants will be assessed according to academic achievement, personal statement, professional and personal references, community service and financial need. Preference will be given to individuals who are members of the Mattapoisett Land Trust or whose parents or grandparents are members of the MLT.

Participating School are: ORRHS Marion Road, Mattapoisett 02739; Bishop Stang High School 500 Slocum Rd, N Dartmouth 02747; OCRVT High School 476 North Avenue, Rochester MA 02770; and Tabor Academy Front St Marion, MA 02738.

The deadline for submitting the forms will be April 27, 2020.

The recipient will be selected by May 18, 2020 and will be notified by mail. The recipient will be recognized at his or her school's awards ceremony. The award will be disbursed after the student submits an official college transcript documenting successful completion of his or her first semester in college to the President of the Mattapoisett Land Trust.

The application forms will be found in the guidance offices at the local public and private schools and at the Mattapoisett Land Trust website: www. mattlandtrust.org/education/

#### Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarship

Mattapoisett Woman's Club is pleased to offer three \$2,500 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors, graduating June 2020.

In addition, there will be a \$1,000 scholarship granted to a Mattapoisett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of advanced education. Contact information is found below.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fundraising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and helps to

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For High School seniors the scholarship application will be available in the Guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. The deadline for returning the completed application is March 31.

The following schools will be participating: Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Vocational Tech High School, Tabor Academy, Bristol County Agricultural High School.

Final deadline for returning completed applications is **March 31**. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions you may contact the Mattapoisett Woman's Club at P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

#### Mattapoisett Master Plan

In 2020 the Town of Mattapoisett will embark on a new Master Plan process. Twenty years have passed since the last Master Plan, and it is time to take a fresh look at the opportunities, challenges, and vision for our town. The Planning Board is seeking volunteers to engage in this interactive endeavor, which will explore Mattapoisett's history, examine our present and chart a course for the future. If you are interested in being a member of the Mattapoisett Master Plan Project Team, please contact Mary Crain, Planning Administrator, at (508) 758-4100 Extension 215 or email planning@mattapoisett.net.

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#### by Mark Parisi



Local Tides						
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Thursday	March 12	10:53	11:21	4:24	4:32	
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Saturday	March 14	12:15	12:41	6:05	5:58	
Sunday	March 15	1:13	1:39	7:12	6:50	
Monday	March 16	2:12	2:39	9:16	8:00	
Tuesday	March 17	3:14	3:42	10:38	10:06	
Wednesday	March 18	4:22	4:49	11:36	11:24	
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Friday	March 20	6:26	6:44	12:08	12:51	
Saturday	March 21	7:12	7:28	12:41	1:14	
Sunday	March 22	7:52	8:07	1:14	1:38	
Monday	March 23	8:28	8:43	1:50	2:06	
Tuesday	March 24	9:02	9:17	2:28	2:37	
Wednesday	March 25	9:35	9:49	3:06	3:10	
Thursday	March 26	10:08	10:20	3:43	3:42	
Friday	March 27	10:43	10:53	4:18	4:14	
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#### I Found the Aardvark!

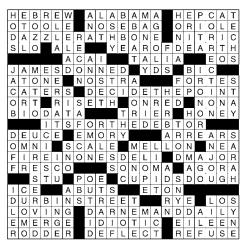
Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*In the March 12, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 48!

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Pint Grape Tomatoes	2/\$4
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